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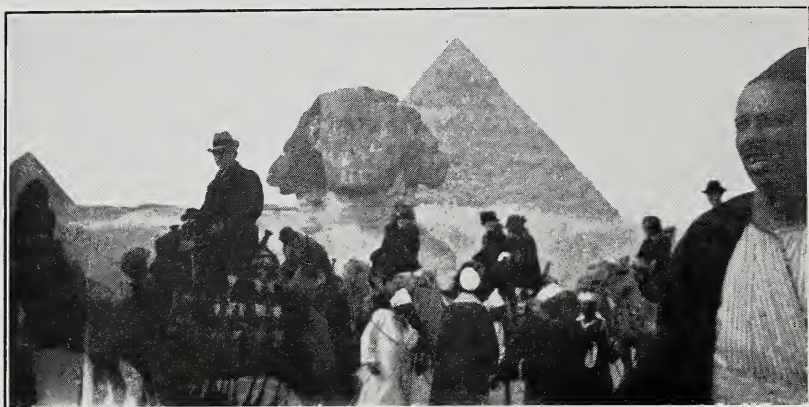
FIRST PEONY PRICE LIST

Nineteen Twenty-Five



S. S. Lotus on the Nile

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A Caravan Party

I wish I could convey to my readers the real enjoyment I am getting from my winter vacation. I wish I were a talented linguist so I could picture the scenes that bring me delight on this trip up the Nile. But mere words fail to carry the emotions one feels as he travels through these old historic places. I am sure this is exactly the right time to see Egypt. Our boat travels only in the daylight hours, and ties up to the river bank at night. Whenever we arrive in the neighborhood of a celebrated old temple or group of tombs, our boat again ties up, and we go ashore. We young people ride donkeys, and the older more sedate members of our party take sand-carts, and we make a jolly caravan as we journey a few miles through fertile fields or across barren deserts to see the monuments of antiquity. We have long quiet hours for reading, writing or for mere enjoyment of the warm sunshine, and every day after our four o'clock tea in the salon, our leader, Dr. Allen, gives us an hour's talk on the history of Egypt, with particular reference to the tombs, temples or other ancient monuments we will visit on our next shore excursion.

It is striking how quickly one's mind will revert to home and home surroundings at these idle moments. The one who said, "Travel east or travel west, a man's own home is still the best," certainly must have had experience. With the thought of home always comes the thought of my garden, and as I recall the "notables" in my Peony collection, the thought occurs to me that many of my readers would like to know early which of the very rare varieties in my garden I intend to offer this season. Consequently, I have made use of a few of these idle moments and prepared this early price list and it has indeed been a real pleasure. I am cabling my

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secretary, Mr. Shimer, to hold up the publication of the Garden Notes which I mailed from the Mediterranean so that he could include this early Peony price list which I have prepared on the Nile.

S. S. Lotus

February 20th, 1925

SIZE OF ROOTS

During the past five years I have sold a certain size of Peony roots which I called *Bonnewitz Strong One Eye Divisions*. These divisions invariably had at least two eyes. I am furnishing exactly the same sized roots this year, but to avoid confusion and the necessity of explanations to new customers, I call them *Two Eye Divisions*.

Experienced Peony growers will of course know that they can with perfect safety further divide these into strictly one eye divisions, and that with careful planting and sufficient covering during the first winter, they can in three years grow strong, vigorous roots from each of these smallest sized divisions.

In addition to my regular offering of *Two Eye Divisions* I expect to be in position to furnish also *One Year Roots* of some varieties. These *One Year Roots* will be small divisions which will have one year's growth, and which will be sent to customers exactly as they are dug from the ground without even a single eye having been removed from them. Every *One Year Root* will have at least four eyes, and in case it is impossible to locate a root with four eyes, and it is necessary to send a root with only three eyes to fill the order, I will return to the purchaser one-fourth of the price paid for the root.

These one year roots will produce a much stronger and much larger growth the first year after planting, but the purchaser will suffer the one disadvantage of not being able to at once divide them as can be done with the *Two Eye Divisions*. It has been my experience that it is never good policy to divide any Peony root when it has had only one year's growth, for with many varieties the early division gives the plants such a shock that it takes them years to recover their vigor and vitality, and with varieties like Standard Bearer, Tamatbaka and Kelway's Glorious there is danger of the shock proving fatal. Hence this advice: *Never divide one year plants.*

ALICE HARDING (Formerly Amitie Americaine) (Lemoine)

Lemoines' newest Peony and the one which he told me he hoped would eventually prove to be his best. It has bloomed for me during the past two seasons and I have noted that it seems to have the perfect stem quality of Bertrade, the petal quality and color of Le Cygne, and the petal arrangement of Bayadere. No one except growers who expect to propagate it for future sales should, even for a moment, think of purchasing it at present prices, for even if it should eventually prove to be better than Le Cygne, it will, within ten years, be sold at a much lower price.

Two eye divisions.....\$100.00
One year roots..... 200.00

ARLEQUIN (Dessert)

I am very glad to be able to offer this new French variety at a popular price. It propagates rapidly.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 5.00
One year roots..... 10.00

AUGUSTE DESSERT (Dessert)

This is a new red Peony and M. Dessert, its originator, told me he liked its color tone better than that of any other of his red Peonies.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 6.00
One year roots..... 12.00

BAYADERE (Lemoine)

When I visited my friend Mr. Cooper in his garden in Kenosha, Wisconsin, two years ago, he called my attention to this variety and to the perfect arrangement of its petals and their excellent quality, and we agreed that it was the best white Peony in the garden.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 4.00
One year roots..... 8.00

BALL O'COTTON (Franklin)

I have been greatly pleased with this white variety as it blooms in my garden, for it seems to me to have some of the outstanding good qualities of Kelway's Glorious and, as far as I can judge, none of its defects.

Two eye divisions.....\$12.50
One year roots..... 25.00

BERTRADE (Lemoine)

The one white variety I know that has a perfect stem. I hope someone will succeed in crossing it with Jubilee and so give the world's most beautiful Peony a perfect stem.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 3.00
One year roots..... 6.00

BUNCH OF PERFUME (Kelway)

A red Peony with a very strong color tone. When I was absent from my garden seeing the Peonies and Irises of Europe three years ago, the visitors to my own garden were so much impressed with this variety and bought it so freely that I had to dig all the plants in my exhibition garden to be able to fill the orders and secure stock for propagation. This is my first offering of it since that time. (Mr. Boyd of "Movilla Gardens" told me that there is a pink variety which he considered worthless which also bears the name "Bunch of Perfume.")

One year roots.....\$ 3.00

CANDEUR (Dessert)

This new French variety possesses great vigor and I am glad to offer it.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 4.00
One year roots..... 8.00

CHARLES NEIDEL (Wettengel)

This variety pleased me very much two years ago when it bloomed in my garden. My recollection is that it possesses the good qualities of Kelway's Exquisite, but I may be mistaken in this statement.

Two eye divisions \$ 4.00
One year roots 8.00

CHERRY HILL (ThurLOW)

The very best red Peony for landscape purposes. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions \$ 7.50

CLEMENCEAU (Dessert)

Very large full bloom. Carmine with silver tinted tips. Late. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions \$ 7.50

COQUETTE (Lemoine)

This new Lemoine variety must not be confused with the old standard variety "La Coquette." The new variety "Coquette" is in a class by itself. My experience has been that although its beautiful buds form and begin to expand as if it were a mid-season variety, yet they never fully open until every other mid-season and late variety has entirely faded and gone, making it the very latest blooming Peony in the garden. The expanding buds are very beautiful with delicate markings of pink, cream and yellow, reminding me of the buds of the Ophelia Rose. The open bloom, which is of only medium size, is a deep cream color. The variety is somewhat difficult to manage, for on account of its extremely long season it needs both sun and shade. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions \$ 6.00

CORONATION (Kelway)

This excellent Peony has been seen in fine form in several National Peony Shows, but is seldom offered in growers' lists. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions \$ 5.00

DAVID HARUM (Brand)

I have not yet formed my own estimate of this new red variety.

Two eye divisions \$ 7.50
One year roots 15.00

DESIRE (Brand)

Two years ago this pink variety seemed to me to deserve a very high rating. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions \$ 3.00

DR. H. BARNSBY (Dessert)

When Mr. Harry Little and I were judging the Duluth Peony Gardens last year we were both impressed with the form and splendid red color of this variety in that latitude. No two eye divisions to offer this season.

One year roots \$ 5.00

DUCHESS OF SUTHERLAND (Kelway)

For the past several years visitors to my exhibition garden have asked me why I had not previously propagated this large, vigorous pink variety. It has been a favorite with visitors, but I had considered the petals were too compactly arranged. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions \$ 4.00

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E. B. BROWNING (Brand)

Years ago I decided that E. B. Browning, white, and Elwood Pleas, pink, were two varieties with which I would sometime win first prizes at our National Peony Shows. I have not yet succeeded in doing it, but I have not lost faith in the quality of either of them.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 5.00
One year roots..... 10.00

EDWIN C. SHAW (Thurlow)

Some seasons I am led to believe that this excellent pink Peony is as good as President Wilson. No two eye divisions to offer this season.

One year roots.....\$20.00

E. J. SHAYLOR (Shaylor)

Mr. Shaylor has been more fortunate than some other growers in the variety he has selected to bear his own name. This variety has so far made an excellent, I might almost say a perfect showing, in my garden. No two eye divisions to offer this season.

One year roots.....\$20.00

ELWOOD PLEAS (Pleas)

I consider this Peony one of the very best late blooming pink varieties. As a cut flower I do not think it has a superior, and I have not yet seen any other variety which equals it in "keeping quality."

Two eye divisions.....\$ 2.50
One year roots..... 5.00

ENHANTERESSE (Lemoine)

This late blooming white variety won first prize at Des Moines last year. There is undoubtedly a great shortage of the supply of this most excellent Peony.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 6.00
One year roots..... 12.00

ENTENTE CORDIALE (Riviere)

Last year when I discovered this variety blooming in my garden, I at once decided that it had a future as a landscape variety. As I remember it, the color is lilac rose shading from a dark to a much lighter shade.

Two eye divisions.....\$10.00
One year roots..... 20.00

EUNICE SHAYLOR (Shaylor)

I cannot at this distance from my garden give a description. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$20.00

EVANGELINE (Lemoine)

As I remember this variety it has a perfect rose shape and a deep lilac rose color. When I offered it for sale two years ago, the supply was quickly exhausted.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 2.50
One year roots..... 5.00

EVENING GLOW (Hollis)

As is the case with many of the Hollis Peonies there is some confusion over this variety. The stock I am offering is tall with a good strong stem which, however, sometimes needs support, and the bloom is very large, with compact petals of a deep lilac rose color. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 2.50

EXQUISITE (Kelway)

Many years ago, before I knew anything about Peonies, Mr. Shaylor selected this variety for me as one of the world's best Peonies, and it was a fortunate selection, for it is not only beau-

tiful as a cut flower, but it is also extremely good as a landscape variety. It multiplies rapily and is one of the best selling varieties in my garden. Its color is a soft pink of two or three different shades, it is semi-double in form, and has grace in both form and carriage. It has my strongest recommendation.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 5.00

One year roots..... 10.00

FLOWERET OF EDEN (Neeley)

I am listing this new variety merely to call amateurs' attention to it when they visit my garden. Not for sale this season.

FRANCES SHAYLOR (Shaylor)

This spectacular variety with its circle of club shaped stamens on its face, maintains its popularity, but as it will not stand up or show its beauty if it is exposed to rain storms, it is wise to cover the buds just before they begin to open with fair sized paper bags, and on the first day after the petals begin to expand, cut the stems and take the blooms into the house, and then remove the bags and allow them to develop in-doors. The color is cream and sometimes even very light pink which fades to cream, and I know of no other Peony at all like it.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 5.00

One year roots..... 10.00

FRANCES WILLARD (Brand)

One of the world's very best white Peonies.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 2.50

One year roots..... 5.00

FRAICHEAUR (Lemoine)

This variety has been growing at least five years in my garden and I have not yet formed my own opinion of its value. My stock is direct from Lemoine. It has not multiplied rapidly. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 5.00

FUYAJO

The best dark red Japanese Peony I have ever seen.

Two eye divisions.....\$15.00

One year roots..... 30.00

GEORGIANA SHAYLOR (Shaylor)

This Shaylor Peony has very great merit and is the very best seller of them all. It approaches Therese in color and quality nearer than any other variety I know and I do not believe there has been a single season in which I have been able to supply all the demand for it which has come to my garden.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 4.00

One year roots..... 8.00

GINETTE (Dessert)

This has been one of the best sellers among the new French Peonies. Its color is pink, slightly lighter I believe in color markings than that famous variety.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 2.50

One year roots..... 5.00

GLORIANA (Neeley)

This variety, as it bloomed in my garden two years ago, was the largest pink Peony I ever saw with colors very much like Therese. I do not wish to dispose of a single division of it at this time, and I am listing it here so that visitors to my garden will make an effort to see it. Not for sale this season.

GRACE LOOMIS (Saunders)

I believe that it was either at the Cleveland or Detroit National Show that this new variety made a sensation.

Two eye divisions.....\$15.00

One year roots..... 30.00

GRIZZEL MUIR (Kelway)

When I visited Kelway's garden in Langport, England three years ago, I purchased thirty varieties which I considered the best of those then blooming in the garden. These plants will be three years old this season, and I hope to be able to show visitors blooms on all of them. Grizzel Muir has increased more than many of the other varieties. (Note: As it may be of no value in this country I do not advise its purchase.) No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions..... \$10.00

ISOLINE (Lemoine)

I imported this variety direct from Lemoine several years ago, and I now have a fair stock of it. It is, I believe, in a class with Laura Dessert and Primevere. Lemoine evidently believed that it was superior to his own variety Primevere, or he would not have placed it upon the market. The Peony world needs a better yellow Peony, and if this proves to be better it will have a great welcome.

Two eye divisions..... \$ 5.00

One year roots..... 10.00

ISANI GIDUI

The very best white Japanese Peony I ever saw.

Two eye divisions..... \$12.50

One year roots..... 25.00

JAMES BOYD (Thurlow)

I am sorry I cannot remember the description of this Peony, but I am glad that it is vigorous and multiplies rapidly.

Two eye divisions..... \$ 7.00

One year roots..... 14.00

JAMES R. MANN (Thurlow)

This variety was shown in excellent form at the National Peony Show in Boston. No two eye divisions to offer this season.

One year roots..... \$30.00

JEANNE GAUDICHAU (Millet)

Two eye divisions..... \$ 2.00

One year roots..... 4.00

JEANNOT (Dessert)

The new very, very late pink Peony which seems in my garden to possess the same high points of merit which have distinguished Therese. The color is, I believe, softer and more attractive than in that famous variety.

Two eye divisions..... \$10.00

One year roots..... 20.00

JESSIE SHAYLOR (Shaylor)

At this distance from my garden I cannot give you the description of this new variety. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions..... \$10.00

JOHN M. GOOD (Good & Reese)

John M Good was the best informed Peony man with whom I ever came in contact, and his powers of observation and discrimination were marvelous to me. I sincerely hope that the seedling Peony which has been selected to bear his name is worthy of its calling. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions..... \$100.00

JUBILEE (Pleas)

When properly grown I believe this to be the most beautiful white Peony in the world for use as a cut flower. The weakness of its stem is a serious objection to it as a garden variety as it must invariably have an artificial support.

Two eye divisions..... \$ 4.00

One year roots..... 8.00

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JUDGE BERRY (Brand)

This is, I believe, the largest and best of the very early pink varieties. I have never been able to supply the demand for it.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 5.00
One year roots..... 10.00

KARL ROSENFELD (Rosenfield)

Probably the best known red Peony in the world.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 1.50
One year roots..... 3.00

KATHERINE HAVEMEYER (Thurlow)

Two eye divisions.....\$17.50
One year roots..... 35.00

KELWAY'S FALSE QUEEN (Kelway)

A splendid landscape variety with lilac pink blooms which are much deeper color in the center than at the edges. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 2.00

KELWAY'S GLORIOUS (Kelway)

The most wonderful white Peony in the world and one of the most difficult to get to grow naturally and to multiply rapidly.

Two eye divisions.....\$15.00
One year roots..... 30.00

LADY ALEXANDRA DUFF (Kelway)

The Long Lost Peony whose discovery in a western garden brought both prominence in the Peony world and profit to its owner. Color, a beautiful shade of pink, but of substance so delicate that it is impossible to show it in perfect form in a Peony show.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 3.00
One year roots..... 6.00

LA FEE (Lemoine)

A pink Peony with a particularly soft shade of color, with petals of good substance and with blooms of good size and splendid carriage. I can hardly refrain from describing it as a refined, well educated Peony.

Two eye divisions.....\$15.00
One year roots..... 30.00

LA FRANCE (Lemoine)

A large pink Peony which develops from a smooth (not pointed) well rounded bud and which, when well grown, is of a pleasing apple blossom shade of pink.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 4.00
One year roots..... 8.00

LA LORRAINE (Lemoine)

One of the most sought after varieties and one on which the salable supply is still very small. Color, white shading toward cream. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 5.00

LAMARTINE (Lemoine)

A deep rose pink variety of which I have never been able to build up sufficient stock to supply the demand. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 5.00

LAURA DESSERT (Dessert)

This variety has the reputation of being the best yellow Peony ever introduced.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 6.00
One year roots..... 12.00

LE CYGNE (Lemoine)

Two eye divisions.....\$ 8.00
One year roots..... 16.00



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LE JOUR (Shaylor)

The very largest single Peony in my garden. Color, white. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 4.00

LONGFELLOW (Brand)

My friend, John M. Good, whose judgment on Peonies I never questioned, told me two years before his death that he regarded the color in Longfellow as the purest red found in any Peony. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 3.00

LORA DEXHEIMER (Brand)

Next to Longfellow the red in this variety ranks highest, if my memory does not play me false. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 2.00

LOVELINESS (Hollis)

This variety it seems to me shows the highest quality of petalage of any of the Hollis varieties. The color is a soft pleasing shade of pink.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 2.50

One year roots..... 5.00

LUCY SHAYLOR (Shaylor)

No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$20.00

LUELLA SHAYLOR (Shaylor)

No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$20.00

LUETTA PFEIFFER (Brand)

This variety has a softer shade of pink than Therese and blooms, if I remember correctly, two or three days earlier period. It has I think, more substance in its petals. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$10.00

MABEL L. FRANKLIN (Franklin)

As far as my observation goes this is Franklin's best pink Peony. It is of good size and color, and is very vigorous.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 7.50

One year roots..... 15.00

MADAME EMILE DUPRAZ (Riviere)

There are two varieties bearing this name. I understand that the lilac pink one is true, and the white one similar to M. Dupont is not true. The true one, which Dr. Neeley exhibited for me at the London Ontario Show while I was in Europe three years ago, made quite a sensation, and although many enthusiasts have wished to purchase it from me. I have refrained from offering it until this season. Stock is very limited.

Two eye divisions.....\$10.00

MADAME FRANCOIS TOSCANELLI (Riviere)

Two eye divisions.....\$ 2.50

One year roots..... 5.00

MADAME GAUDICHAU (Millet)

I have never been able to fill all the orders during any season on this fine dark red variety. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 7.50

MADAME JULES DESSERT (Dessert)

No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 2.50

MAFEKING (Kelway)—Single

A single Peony of splendid red color.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 2.00

One year roots..... 4.00

MAGNIFICENCE (Kelway)

A pink Japanese variety which although inferior to Tamatbako and Tokio still ranks very high.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 2.00

One year roots..... 4.00

MAHARAJAH OF KHOLAPUR (Kelway)

This is one of the thirty varieties I purchased when I was in Kelway's garden. Of course I will not advise the purchase of a single one of them until after I see them blooming in my garden. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$10.00

MARGUERITE GAUDICHAU (Millet)

Two eye divisions.....\$ 2.00

One year roots..... 4.00

MARGUERITE DESSERT (Dessert)—Single

This is one of the most famous single Peonies, and I have never been able to supply the demand throughout any season. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 3.00

MARIE CROUSSE (Crousse)

No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 1.50

MARTHA BULLOCH (Brand)

Two eye divisions.....\$ 7.50

One year roots..... 15.00

MARY BRAND (Brand)

One of the best red Peonies in the world. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 2.00

MARY WOODBURY SHAYLOR (Shaylor)

No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$10.00

MIKADO

The best known Japanese variety. No two eye divisions to offer this season.

One year roots.....\$ 3.00

MILTON HILL (Richardson)

This variety was shown to perfection by Mr. Little at the Des Moines Show last year. I believe the demand for it was so great that every grower's stock was exhausted early in the season. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 5.00

MINNIE SHAYLOR (Shaylor)

I have not seen superior quality in this variety as it bloomed in my garden, and yet everyone else who has seen it seems to think it very, very unusual. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$25.00

MISS SALWAY (Kelway)

Five years ago I had a variety under this name which was very inferior, and I advertised it as a worthless Peony. I have since succeeded in finding the true variety, which is of a very delicate pink color and beautiful form.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 7.50

One year roots..... 15.00

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MLLE. JEANNE RIVIERE (Riviere)

This Peony is in the class with Primevere, Laura Dessert, Isoline and other yellow varieties. It was a prize winner at the St. Paul National Show.

Two eye divisions \$ 2.00
One year roots 4.00

M. JULES ELIE (Crousse)

This is the most spectacular Peony in the world and I am glad it can be sold at a modest price. Color, silvery pink. Shape, somewhat like a huge chrysanthemum.

Two eye divisions \$ 1.50
One year roots 3.00

M. MARTIN CAHUZAC (Dessert)

The darkest red Peony usually spoken of as "The Black Peony." A great favorite with men.

Two eye divisions \$ 2.00
One year roots 4.00

MRS. EDWARD HARDING (Shaylor)

The famous "One Hundred Dollar Variety," winner of one hundred dollar prize at the Cleveland National Peony Show. Although I formerly sold this variety at one hundred dollars, I am very glad to be able to furnish it at a much more moderate price. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions \$25.00

MRS. JOHN M. LEWIS (Lewis)

A new American red variety with some merit. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions \$ 5.00

MRS. M. P. CLOUGH (Shaylor)

No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions \$ 5.00

MRS. SHAYLOR FORCE (Shaylor)

No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions \$12.50

NELLIE (Kelway)

A beautiful pink single Peony which I imported direct from Kelway several years ago. It is very vigorous and prolific, and when properly grown and disbudded deserves a rank with Pride of Langport and other famous single pink Peonies. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions \$ 2.50

NELL SHAYLOR (Shaylor)

Nell Shaylor, Rose Shaylor, and E. J. Shaylor have all produced wonderful bloom in my garden. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions \$25.00

NINA SECOR (Secor)

Next to Jubilee and Elwood Pleas I have a more personal interest in this Peony than in any other variety, for it was in my garden that these three varieties first obtained national public recognition. No two eye divisions to offer this season.

One year roots \$25.00

NYMPHAEA (Thurlow)

This variety impresses me as being an aristocrat among Peonies, if such a descriptive term is allowable when writing about flowers. Its size, form, color, substance, and carriage are all excellent. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions \$ 5.00

OPAL (Pleas)

Next to Jubilee I regard Opal as Mrs. Pleas' best Peony. Its pink color is somewhat opalescent, its blooms are of good size, and the plants are so strong and vigorous that they are a joy to the gardener.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 2.50
One year roots..... 5.00

PERRETTE (Dessert)

This new French variety has increased so rapidly in my garden that I can now offer it at a price which will interest amateurs as well as commercial growers.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 5.00
One year roots..... 10.00

PHILIPPE RIVOIRE (Riviere)

All points considered, this has been voted the very best red Peony in the world. Its perfect rose shape, its deep rich color, its fragrance, its carriage, are the points of its great excellence. It is very scarce, for during the past three years I have been unable to secure even a single root of it from France.

Two eye divisions.....\$15.00
One year roots..... 30.00

PHOEBE CAREY (Brand)

This beautiful pink Peony does not multiply rapidly enough to supply the demand. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 4.00

PHYLLIS KELWAY (Kelway)

This semi-double pink variety has most excellent quality in its petals, the outer ones of which are very broad and attractive. The color, having several different shades or tones of pink, is delightful. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 5.00

PRESIDENT WILSON (ThurLOW)

I believe this beautiful pink Peony is considered to be ThurLOW's best introduction. In my garden it holds its petals and its color remarkably well. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$30.00

PRIDE OF LANGPORT (Kelway)

I believe I am correct in saying that on account of its great size, splendid rich color, good substance, and perfect stem, this variety is considered to be the best single pink Peony. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$10.00

PRIDE OF PAULDING (Neeley)

As with Gloriana and Floweret of Eden I do not wish to sell even a single division of this variety this year, and I list them all for the sole purpose of having visitors look for them when they visit my garden. Not for sale this season.

PRIMEVERE (Lemoine)

A splendid yellow Peony which must, however, be kept covered with a paper bag while it is unfolding its petals in full sun. When petals are partially expanded, cut the stem and carry the bloom indoors, and then remove the bag, and behold the full beauty of a yellow Peony.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 2.50
One year roots..... 5.00

RACHEL (Lemoine)

This is said to be an improved La Perle. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions.....\$ 3.50

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RAOUL DESSERT (Dessert)

I believe I imported the very first roots of this variety which came to this country, but the demand for it each year has been greater than my garden has been able to supply. Each year it produces pink blooms of uniform color, but there the uniformity ceases, for it has bloomed in more diverse forms and shapes than any other variety I have ever seen. I have on occasion used in in competition for the highest prize and hope at some future show to be able to win with it. No one year roots to offer this season.
Two eye divisions.....\$ 6.00

RENEE MARIE (Dessert)

A new French variety. No one year roots to offer this season.
Two eye divisions.....\$ 5.00

RICHARD CARVEL (Brand)

The red Peony for Decoration Day.
Two eye divisions.....\$ 2.50
One year roots..... 5.00

ROSA BONHEUR (Dessert)

Like many of the other excellent French varieties this does not multiply rapidly enough and the supply is usually exhausted very early in the season. No one year roots to offer this season.
Two eye divisions.....\$ 5.00

ROSE SHAYLOR (Shaylor)

No two eye divisions to offer this season.
One year roots.....\$40.00

ROSETTE (Dessert)

The new French variety which is far superior to the early blooming favorite Umbellata Rosea.
Two eye divisions.....\$ 5.00
One year roots..... 10.00

SARAH BERNHARDT (Lemoine)

Two eye divisions.....\$ 1.50
One year roots..... 3.00

SARAH K. THURLOW (ThurLOW)

No two eye divisions to offer this season.
One year roots.....\$40.00

SARAH M. WETTENGEL (Wettengel)

No one year roots to offer this season.
Two eye divisions.....\$ 5.00

SECRETARY FEWKES (Shaylor)

No one year roots to offer this season.
Two eye divisions.....\$ 5.00

SHAYLOR'S DREAM (Shaylor)

No two eye divisions to offer this season.
One year roots.....\$25.00

SOLANGE (Lemoine)

The winning variety exhibited by Mr. Ruff at the St. Paul National Show two years ago. Color rich deep cream, approaching tan. Petal quality, the very best.
Two eye divisions.....\$ 3.50
One year roots..... 7.00

SOME GANOKO

This is a Japanese variety with stronger colorings than Mikado, if I remember correctly. At any rate it ranks very high among the Japanese sorts.
Two eye divisions.....\$ 5.00
One year roots..... 10.00

STANDARD BEARER (Hollis)

Light rose of medium height. Holds blooms upright on its

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- strong, stiff stems. It can well be called the little "Napoleon" among all Peonies. No one year roots to offer this season.
Two eye divisions.....\$ 7.50
- SOUV. DE LOUIS BIGOT (Dessert)
A French Peony of good size which approaches Walter Faxon in color. No one year roots to offer this season.
Two eye divisions.....\$ 4.00
- SUZETTE (Dessert)
A French Peony with the fire of life in its vivid color. It somehow reminds me of a torch, and I do not hesitate to advise its purchase. No one year roots to offer this season.
Two eye divisions.....\$ 3.00
- TAMATBAKO
The best Japanese pink Peony I have ever seen. Extremely large size, splendid substance and perfect stem added to its perfection in color leaves nothing to be desired. However, it grows very slowly. No one year roots to offer this season.
Two eye divisions.....\$15.00
- THERESE (Dessert)
I believe this is the best pink Peony in commerce.
Two eye divisions.....\$ 3.00
One year roots 6.00
- THOMAS C. THURLOW (Thurlow)
Two eye divisions.....\$25.00
One year roots..... 50.00
- TOKIO
Next to Tamatbako, the best pink Japanese Peony in the world. The plants are very tall and the bloom quite large and of good substance. No two eye divisions to offer this season.
One year roots.....\$ 7.50
- TORPILLEUR
A lilac rose with peculiar formation of petaloids. No two eye divisions to offer this season.
One year roots\$ 2.50
- TOURANGELLE (Dessert)
This Peony is a triumph of the breeders' art, for it is a larger, more perfect Marie Crousse. The buds should always be covered with a bag until the opening blossom is taken indoors.
Two eye divisions.....\$ 2.50
One year roots..... 5.00
- VICTOIRE DE LA MARNE (Dessert)
No one year roots to offer this season.
Two eye divisions.....\$ 4.00
- WALTER FAXON (Richardson)
The color of this Peony is nearer a true, perfect pink than any other variety the breeders have yet produced. As its popularity increases, the available stock seems to decrease. Walter Faxon, Martha Bulloch, and Le Cygne were the three varieties in which one grower wished to invest ten thousand dollars, and he was willing to pay full retail prices to get them.
Two eye divisions.....\$ 4.00
One year roots..... 8.00
- W. F. CHRISTMAN (Franklin)
Next to Mabel L. Franklin, the best pink Peony I have seen from this originator's garden.
Two eye divisions.....\$ 6.00
One year roots..... 12.00

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WILLIAM F. TURNER (Shaylor)

One of the best dark red Peonies which blooms very early in the season. The demand for it has been much greater than my supply in former years. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions \$ 2.50

WILTON LOCKWOOD (Shaylor)

This is one of the most successful and most beautiful of all the Shaylor Peonies growing in the Van Wert Gardens. No one year roots to offer this season.

Two eye divisions \$15.00

*Garden Notes Number Nineteen to be
published in July will describe my visit to
Lemoine's Garden this year.*

I presume that all my readers will know that this is not a complete list of my Peonies, for my garden contains more than a thousand different varieties, and it is my intention to offer about three hundred of the best of them in a list which I hope to publish in July. In addition to the very newest varieties like Alice Harding (formerly *Amitie Americaine*), *Arlequin*, *August Dessert*, *Candeur*, *Charles Nidel*, *Clemenceau*, *Coquette*, *Cornelia Shaylor*, *Edwin C. Shaw*, *E. J. Shaylor*, *Entente Cordiale*, *Eunice Shaylor*, *Floweret of Eden*, *Fuyajo*, *Glorianna*, *Grace Loomis*, *Isani Gidui*, *James R. Mann*, *James Boyd*, *Jeannot*, *Jessie Shaylor*, *John M. Good*, *Katherine Havemeyer*, *Lucy Shaylor*, *Luella Shaylor*, *Minnie Shaylor*, *Mrs. Edward Harding*, *Mrs. John M. Lewis*, *Mrs. M. P. Clough*, *Mrs. Shaylor Force*, *Nell Shaylor*, *Nina Secor*, *Perrette*, *President Wilson*, *Renee Marie*, *Rose Shaylor*, *Sarah K. Thurlow*, *Sarah M. Wettengel*, *Secretary Fewks*, *Shaylor's Dream*, *Souvenir de General Gallieni*, *Thomas C. Thurlow* and *Wilton Lockwood*, I am at this time offering only those varieties on which during one or more of the five seasons I have sold Peonies, the demand has been so great that I have been unable to supply it.

There are, I know, two classes of readers who will be particularly interested in this early price list. First, those amateurs who are making a collection of the finest and rarest varieties of Peonies, and whose own experience has taught them that the available supply of some of the most desirable varieties is invariably exhausted early in every season. Second, those commercial growers who are alive to the fact that it is to their own financial interest to possess and propagate all new varieties of merit, while the demand for those varieties is still very keen, and who also wish to know of the valuable varieties available in other growers' gardens from which they may be able to replenish their own depleted stocks.

In March 1924, I was glad to be able to secure from another commercial grower, fifteen hundred dollars' worth of rare Peonies. In 1923 a commercial grower visited my garden endeavoring to purchase ten thousand dollars' worth of three varieties, *Walter Faxon*, *Martha Bulloch* and *Le Cygne*; another grower told me he had purchased over twelve thousand dollars' worth of scarce varieties in a single season; another told me of buying over twenty-eight thousand dollars' worth last season; and still another told me that in his wholesale and retail departments he had sold ninety-eight thousand dollars' worth of Peonies. These figures are very significant, and although I have no reports upon the subject, I believe that ten times as many Peonies were sold in 1924 as were sold in 1914.

TERMS

Cash with order, shipment to be made in the autumn beginning about September 20.

Orders will be numbered consecutively as received, and they will be filled in the same numerical order.

Of the newest and rarest varieties the stock is necessarily limited, and only a few roots of each can be furnished this season. The very early orders on these varieties will consequently be the only ones I will be able to accept.

Shipments will be made by express at customer's expense. However, a customer may, if he wishes, include in his remittance fifteen cents extra for each root or division, in which event his purchase will be forwarded by Prepaid Insured Parcel Post.

I reserve the right to advance prices in the list to be published during or after the blooming season, but prices will not be advanced before the next list is published.

I believe every variety listed is true to name, and should any variety prove to be not true, I will return the money paid me for it.

As this price list is prepared on my vacation, and I have no means of knowing the present condition of my Peony stock, all orders will be accepted with the understanding that if on my arrival home, I find my plantings of any variety are not in condition to furnish good salable stock, that I will have the right to cancel the orders for such variety, and refund the money paid for it. I will immediately check up all my plantings on my return home in order that I may notify purchasers prior to May 20, 1925, if such cancellations are necessary.